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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Reizo MAEDA et al.**

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For: **HYDROGEN ABSORBING ALLOY ELECTRODE, METHOD OF
FABRICATING THE SAME AND ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERY**

Attorney Docket Number: **010829**

Customer Number: **38834**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCESSING REQUESTED

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

November 29, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2004, Applicants amend the claims as follows and submit the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.